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Joint Biomedical Laboratory Research and Development and Clinical Science Research and Development Services Scientific Merit Review Board Panel for Eligibility, Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under Public Law 92-463 (Federal Advisory Committee Act) that the Panel for Eligibility of the Joint Biomedical Laboratory Research and Development and Clinical Science Research and Development Services Scientific Merit Review Board will meet on Monday, January 23, 2012, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at The Sheraton Crystal City, 1800 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia.

The purpose of the Merit Review Board is to provide advice on the scientific quality, budget, safety, and mission relevance of investigator-initiated research proposals submitted for VA merit review consideration. Proposals submitted for review by the Board involve a wide range of medical specialties within the general areas of biomedical, behavioral, and clinical science research.

The panel meeting will be open to the public for approximately one-half hour at the start of the meeting to discuss the general status of the program. The remaining portion of the meeting will be closed to the public for the review, discussion, and evaluation of non-clinician credentials and research proposals to be performed for VA. The closed portion of the meeting involves discussion, examination, reference to staff and consultant critiques of non-clinician credentials and research proposals. Closing portions of the panel meeting is in accordance with 5 U.S.C., 552b(c) (6) and (9)(B).

Those who plan to attend or would like to obtain a copy of minutes of the panel meeting and roster of the participants of the panel should contact LeRoy G.

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By Direction of the Secretary

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